

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: NICOR ENERGY, L.L.C.	DOCKET NO. CGP-01-2
	CERTIFICATE NO. G-0001

CERTIFICATE

(Issued July 5, 2001)

On May 29, 2001, Nicor Energy, L.L.C. (Nicor), filed an application requesting the issuance of a certificate as a competitive natural gas provider (CNGP) by the Utilities Board (Board). The Board's rules at 199 IAC 2.2(18) and 19.14 establish the filing requirements for the issuance of a certificate. On June 15, 2001, the Board notified Nicor that the application was complete and the 90-day review period had begun.

The Board reviewed the information provided by Nicor and is issuing an order concurrently with this certificate approving the application for a certificate as a competitive natural gas provider. Initially, Nicor plans to provide service to large volume customers but may consider expanding its market scope to provide gas to small volume users in the future.

Iowa Code § 476.87 requires that a competitive natural gas provider or aggregator must reasonably demonstrate managerial, technical, and financial capability sufficient to obtain and deliver the services it proposes to offer. The Board

in 199 IAC 2.2(18) and 19.14 established the filing requirements for a CNGP to obtain a certificate. Based on a review of Nicor's application, the Board found that Nicor has reasonably demonstrated that it possesses the appropriate managerial, technical, and financial capability sufficient to obtain and deliver the services it proposes to offer. Additionally, the Board found that no additional conditions should be placed on the certificate.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

This certificate as a competitive natural gas provider, issued pursuant to Iowa Code § 476.87 (2001), authorizes Nicor Energy, L.L.C., to furnish natural gas services as a marketer or aggregator to large and small volume customers in Iowa.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Diane Munns

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 5th day of July, 2001.